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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re: Application of: Werner KNEBEL  
Serial No.: 10/680,980 Confirmation No.: 6488  
Filed: October 8, 2003  
For: SCANNING MICROSCOPE HAVING A MIRROR FOR  
COUPLING-IN A MANIPULATING LIGHT BEAM  
Art Unit: 2872  
Examiner: Lee A. Fineman  
Customer No.: 23280

Commissioner for Patents  
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January 16, 2006

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the final office action dated November 14, 2005 received in the above-identified application, applicant hereby respectfully requests reconsideration of the application based on the following amendments and remarks.